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In Re Application Of:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Response in reply to the Office Action dated December 22, 2004 requiring an election of species. This response is timely because it is being filed within the time period set for a response.

According to the Office Action, the application contains four patentably distinct species comprising the following:

- I. Species I shown in Figures 1-7 & 11;
- II. Species II shown in Figure 8;
- III. Species III shown in Figure 9; and
- IV. Species IV shown in Figure 10.

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In response, Applicant elects Species III shown in Figure 9 and claims 1-11, 13-14, and 17-18 for prosecution.

Applicant reserves the right to add the non-elected claims upon the allowance of a generic claim containing the same general inventive concept as the non-elected claims.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicant's undersigned attorney, Robert P. Renke at (248) 223-9500 if any unresolved matters remain with respect to this Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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